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In re application of:

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LASER CUTTING METHOD AND APPARATUS
WITH A BIFOCAL OPTICAL MEANS AND A
HYDROGEN-BASED ASSIST GAS

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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November 24, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.